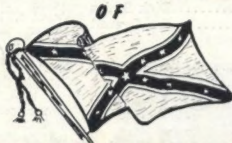


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Mr. Hackman Dies



On July 19 of the past summer Mr. Henry A. Hackman died from a heart attack. For the past several years he had some heart trouble which had forced him into partial retirement, but his devotion to education of the boys who wanted to learn about science kept him working as long as he was able. For eleven years he was the head of the science department at M. B. A. He was honored and respected by every boy who attended his science classes.

Not only was he a teacher of science but also a coach in athletics. For many years he served as coach of the junior varsity football team and basketball team. A couple of years ago he was even forced to give this up on account of his heart condition.

This past year *The Bell* was dedicated to him, proving the boy's appreciation to him for his undying devotion to the school. He was an integral part of M.B.A. and a true friend to every boy. Though now he belongs to the memories and traditions of the school, the fine men he had a hand in helping are monuments to his life's work. With great humbleness the paper staff dedicates this first issue of *The Bell Ringer* to Mr. Hackman.

M.B.A. Alumnus Enrolls at Parks College

Robert B. Miller, son of Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Miller of Howell Place, Nashville, Tennessee, the past week enrolled at Parks College of Aeronautical Technology of Saint Louis University.

Robert plans a career in the field of Air Transportation when he completes his work at Parks. He is a 1952 graduate of Montgomery Bell Academy.

M.B.A. Gets New Faculty Members

Mr. Winstead

"I'll make scientists of you yet!" With this remark Mr. G. Alvis Winstead, the new science professor, has started his career at M.B.A.

Mr. Winstead earned his B. S. degree at Western Kentucky State College at Bowling Green. His graduate study was taken at George Peabody College in Nashville. Here he received the M.A. degree with a double major in chemistry and biology. He completed two years of study beyond the M.A. degree and studied at Vanderbilt also.

He taught first at Watkins Institute and later was with Central High School as teacher of physics, biology and chemistry. From 1949 to 1953 Mr. Winstead served as head of the Chemistry and Biology Departments and chairman of the Science Division of Ward-Belmont College in Nashville.

During World War II, he served as Air Force navigator for three years. For a time he was agricultural statistician for the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Winstead belongs to many scientific organizations and was written up in the publication, *Who's Who in Science in South-eastern U.S.A.*

He is married to the granddaughter of an M.B.A. alumnus and lives at 1806 Castleman Drive. He has no particular hobbies but enjoys sports, especially boxing, wrestling, and football.

We can see that Mr. Winstead will be a fine addition to the M.B.A. faculty and we wish him the best of luck in his work.

M.B.A. Shocked at Death of Mr. C. N. Rolfe

The faculty and students of Montgomery Bell Academy were deeply shocked to hear of the death of Mr. C. N. Rolfe. Mr. Rolfe graduated from M.B.A. and had always maintained an active interest in the school. He served on the board of trustees for a number of years. Mr. Rolfe has two sons in M.B.A., Carlin and Mack.

M.B.A. has lost a loyal alumnus and the City of Nashville has lost a civic leader.

Coach Tommy Owen

Another addition to our faculty is Coach Tommy Owen, who should not be confused with Coach Owen of East, who by a strange coincidence has the same name to the letter. Although I am sure Owen of East is a fine man, we have hit the jackpot at M.B.A. Coach Owen came into this world Feb. 17, 1924 in Roseboro, N.C., little knowing what lay in store for him 29 years later — M.B.A.!!! He spent his high-school years in Kentucky. From there his family moved to Alabama later returning to Ky. where they still live. Coach graduated from Vanderbilt where he received his B.A. and he is one summer away from his M.A. at the University of Kentucky. Coach has had five years of coaching experience at Amory, Mississippi. He served in the U.S.A.F. in England from June, 1942 to Sept., 1945. In June, 1950 he took his biggest step when he married his pretty young wife, Nell. Coach and his wife have made a good impression and are quite popular with both the students and the parents alike. The "Bell Ringer" wishes tons of luck to two wonderful people.

Mr. Novak to Teach Seventh Grade

This year at M.B.A. we have as a new member of our faculty Mr. Frank Novak, who teaches the seventh grade. Mr. Novak was born in Providence, Rhode Island, and he lived in New York City for a period of twenty years. Having studied at Peabody College for Teachers, he received his B.A. and M.A. degrees there. Previous to this year he taught in the Williamson County school system. For four years he served in the Air Force, and in 1944 and 1945 he saw active service in England.

Mr. Novak has lived in Nashville six years. He resides at 346 Normandy Circle with his wife and four year old son.

We are fortunate to have Mr. Novak with us at M.B.A. We feel that his instruction and teaching will be sound reasoning and high quality.

Memorial Service Given for Mr. Hackman

A memorial service was given on October 5 in the school auditorium in memory of Mr. Henry A. Hackman. Many of the former students of M.B.A. were present. The program was as follows:

Introductory Remarks — Dr. Sager
Scripture Reading—Rob Lightfoot
Lord's Prayer—Joan Sloan
Music—Mr. Rule
Reminiscences — John Hardcastle
Reminiscences — Robert McNeilly
Remarks and Prayer — Mr. Younger

School Improvements

During the summer several improvements have been made about the campus. In the lunchroom a new steam table has been installed to keep the food warmer and also to enable the students to see more of what there is to eat. Another great improvement has been made in the rest-room in the study hall building where it has been outfitted with tile walls and looks much better. Also in that building new doors have been installed. Now there is not as much danger of thrusting your hand through plate glass when you're hurrying to classes. A new door has been installed also at the gym, where several lockers have been replaced and repaired. In the study hall itself, the single desks which formerly seated only two people, have been replaced by seats which three or possibly four people can occupy comfortably. Various other repairs and paint jobs have been done else where about the campus to make M.B.A. a better school.

Rob Lightfoot

Wins Scholarship

Rob Lightfoot, Jr. was recently awarded the Donald Ross Memorial Tuitional Scholarship, which pays his tuition during 1953-54.

Every year an anonymous donor gives the scholarship to an outstanding boy in memory of Donald Ross, a member of the freshman class of 1951-52, who was struck and killed by lightning in August, 1952.

Congratulations to Rob! It couldn't have happened to a nicer boy!

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CLASS NEWS

Grade School News

Welcome back to dear old school! The new boys in the seventh grade are John Ball, Warner Bass, Lucius Burch, Dan Caldwell, Evans Clements, Frank Crowell, Stephen Garrett, Bullets Gillespie, Lynn Greer, Dickie Husband, Spencer Iverlett, Guy McClellan, Jere McGarr, Dan Murray, Bobby Raiford, Tommy Sloan, Tom Stephens, Douglas Tune, Miller Turner, and Ben West.

The new boys in the eighth grade are Kent Hamilton, Richard Johnson, Don Steinbaugh, Albert Wheeler, William Provine, Billy Blevins, Bancroft McClellan, and Jerry Bradley.

Comments on Mr. Novak are favorable.

Microbe football practice started on September 10. The next week the Microbes played Burton, losing 40 to 6. Big Ben McDermott was the star, scoring the only touchdown for the Little Red. The following week we lost another heartbreaker, 29 to 0 at the hands of Stokes. Lucius Burch and Bobby Raiford played the outstanding game.

At Gym, the non-microbes play touch football while the microbes study (?)

Ben McDermott and Willo Colins are fighting it out for the most demerits. Who will win?

The boys on the privilege list in the seventh grade are Bobby (Football) Raiford, Warner Bass, Lucius Burch, Dan Caldwell, Guy McClellan, Tom Stephens, and Frankie Crowell.

The boys on the privilege list in the eighth grade are Roger Peek, Robert White, Edgar Uden, Jimmy Hayes, David Waller and Tony Edmonds.

Freshmen News

The Freshman class started out their first year in high school with happy faces and open minds. It didn't take some of these minds (?????) very long to find out about demerits. They said that

Mrs. Sims can find more things than any other teacher for which to give demerits. Mr. Winstead has been making sure that all of his freshmen pupils are obedient and are learning General Science (write 20 questions if you aren't), so that they all can become scientists.

Various freshmen have been seen staggering around school because Mr. Norman made them smoke his cigars that he received free from the diaper cleaners.

It has been rumored that Mr. Rule removed one of Mr. Norman's cigars from his desk and got so sick smoking it that he didn't notice some pupils sneaking out of the windows of his classroom one period.

So far it seems that the master minds of the frosh class are Wade Elam, George Sloan, Emmett Dozier, James Woods, and Brad Reed.

In the Nickname Department, Boyer Cheshire was tabbed "Pinocchio."

Everyone is especially proud of Tom Husband, who was the only freshman who played in the Clarksville game.

The freshmen on the Junior Varsity squad made a very fine showing against Donelson, with Billy Hunter, Courtney Marshall, Don Brothers, Buddy Foxall, Jimmy Thurman, Johnny Murphy, Ronald Grubbs and Runcie Clements as standouts.

Freshman tennis stars Wylie McDougall and Brad Reed both played very well in their matches against Cohn. Others doing well in the sport are Jody Wallace, Buddy Coles, John Brothers, Ed Herbert, Russell Hooper, Doug Conwell and Trey Russell. It seems as though the Freshman Class started out very well this year. Let's hope they keep it that way!

Sophomore News

School started off with a bang this year. Ned Overton furnished the dynamite and "Handy Andy" Spelta furnished the match.

Most of the boys went to the Fair last week. Sewell remarks

after a day at the Fair, "Most fun I ever had sitting on a bench."

Travis comes to school Tuesday in bandages and explains, "Those Central girls just can't resist me—and my black Olds convertible."

Tom Frist, Dick Sager, Jim Perry, Dick Sullivan, Mack Rolfe and Jimmy Rule were elected to the Key Club. Lots of boys have made the privilege list this three weeks. Among those are John Provine, Dick Sobel, and Ivan Brown. Cline says he hasn't missed a session of Saturday School since September 19, 1953, B. C. (B. C. stands for Before Campbell). Lately Eddie White has been seen at the football games sporting a Kodak Number 00 Tripod.

John Provine got his semi-annual hair-cut and two weeks later all the girls marveled over Tina's new fur coat.

This year the Sophomores have selected as their slogan, "If at first you don't succeed, try, try a gun." Many of the boys are trying to raise some school spirit and get everybody to come to the games. We surely hope to see you all there.

Junior News

Glad to see all these smiling faces around. I know everyone is glad to start school. During the summer the following item made the headlines:

"Popo" records new song hit, "It is the Covering."

Vacant fields burn on Woodmont Blvd., Fire Dept. believes this is a prank of "The Tooth."

Lost & Found: Has anyone seen Diana Minick's monkey?

Chickey installs private parking meter at County Court Building.

Bill Fennell breaks leg in West game.

"Tremendous" Thompson; seems he forgot to write his Monday morning column.

The following Juniors made the football team: Norm Minick, Pete Thompson, Andy Coles, Mack Brothers, Penny Nolan, Butch McDaniel, Eddie Holt, Sam Porter, Al Strayhorn, Richard Cummings, Jack Herbert, Jack Butler, John Tweate, John Dobson, Whitney Waugh.

"Livvy" Tremble splits pants in gym. Remarks Tremble: "I knew these weren't 'Sanforized.'"

See you at the football games!

Senior News

Well, the summer is over and we have now begun our last year at the Institution on the Hill. We don't have any new additions to our class, in fact, we lost a few, but our class is still composed of 39 little hoods from Nashville and the surrounding countryside. The football season is well under way and we are well represented on the football squad. The boys cut for football are: Dick Anderson, Frank Bainbridge, Bobby Colton, Bert Chalfant, Johnny Craig, David Herbert, Rob Lightfoot, Bobby Lineberger, Barry Paget, Billy Pfeiffer, Carlin Rolfe, John Whaley and Larry White.

Billy Coles, since his recent appearances on the cover of a local publication, has received several Hollywood offers.

This summer Dick Anderson, while vacationing at a swank mountain resort ate something called "Red Rabbit Pit." If anyone is interested in preparing this "delicacy," Dick will be glad to give you the recipe.

Lipscomb makes a bid for local hot-rod honors with his super-charged Plymouth.

"Yardstick" swaps the Wasp for a car.

All flags flown at half mast as "Pup" is raided.

Frank Bainbridge amazes Law class with his knowledge of the church.

Paget makes early bid for Physics Medal.

That's all for now. Stay loose!

Bottom of the Afternoon



By Blue La Rue

Well gang, here we are at another year on the Hill. Mrs. Bitzer assigns first theme after first week. Ruth pops up with brilliant 60.

Next time you see Ridley, ask him how he likes K.T.

Academy boys throng State Fair. The results are as follows:

McIntosh gets in fight with bouncer and gets a rock thrown at him.

B. Scales gets picked to get in "side attraction" free.

Craig receives a rabbit punch as his head and shoulders are under tent.

Congratulations, Lineberger, for getting re-pinned.

Coles, who was that good-looking girl you had your picture with on the front page of the Magazine Section of the Tennesseean?

Juniors and Seniors panic as Mr. Winstead passes out zeros. Says Mr. Winstead, "Science students should expect things like that."

Voss writes French test in German.

Sloan writes his name on homework paper; Mrs. Bitzer decides to give him English medal. Reuther supplies Solid Geometry class with World Series scores.

Wood changes ways; doesn't act like a married man any more. Better watch him, Nancy!

The Bell Ringer's subscriptions fall off as the Free Press, an Underground Newspaper, swamps M.E.A.

Ruth fails to make privilege list, blames it all on Dr. Sager.

Wood, Lineberger, and the Scales' raffle off 1918 Ford Truck; we pity the winner!

Mr. Winstead blows up Science building; says, "That's Science."

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BIG RED TOPS EAST 6-0

On Friday, September 11, the Big Red, of M.B.A. won their first ball game of the year, beating a highly rated East team.

Coach Owen's whole team played a great game. Fine blocking and hard tackling were two of the many high points displayed by the Big Red's line.

Carlin Rolfe, captain, Pete Thompson, with a yards-per-run average of 85 yds. and John Whaley made the Banner's Weekly team. Pete was also voted Player of the Week; John Whaley was Lineman of the Week; and Coach Owen was Coach of the Week.

In the first half, the Maroons stopped two of East's determined drivers. Mack Rolfe intercepted a pass deep in the M.B.A. territory. In the other drive, penalties helped.

Coach gave the team an inspiring half-time talk, after which the team came out and won the ball game.

The break of the game came late in the last quarter when Dickie Anderson's punt took a high bounce. Billy Smith, East Tailback, touched the ball and John Whaley pounced on it, giving the ball to the Big Red on the East 19 yd. line. On the second play, Tremendous Pete Thompson took the ball around right end, down to the Eagle 4 yard line. From here Mack Rolfe took the ball over for the one and only touchdown of the game. The attempt for the extra point was not good.

M.B.A. kicked off to East with about 4 minutes to go after a series of downs, East was forced to kick. The Red team took the ball up the field near the Eagles' goal again. But time ran out when the Maroons were on the 13 yd. line.

The happy team boosted Coach Owen to their shoulders and carried him off the field.

The student body was fortunate enough to get to see the film of the game in Chapel one morning. The magnificent team play was worth seeing again. During the showing of the film, Coach pointed out some of the high points. The rest of the student body, I am sure, are proud of the whole team for a grand game.

West Upsets Maroons

Before an almost capacity crowd of 4,000 people the Maroons suffered their first defeat of the season at the hands of West Hi, 20-13. During the first half M.B.A. dominated the game. The first time the impressive Maroons got the ball, they scored on a 7 yard run by Pete Thompson. With M.B.A.'s defense allowing West only 3 first downs in the first half, the Maroons again scored with speed, Bobby Lineberger scoring. But in the second half it was a different game entirely. The inspired blue jays, led by Ralph Greenbaum, scored three touchdowns to down the big Red for the first time in the history of the rivalry.

Even in defeat Bill Morehead, Carlin Rolfe, and Bobby Lineberger played outstanding ball.

J. V. Defeats Donelson

The J. V. slayed Donelson at Donelson. They kicked off with Courtney Marshall kicking. Donelson ran the kickoff back to their 30 yd. line. They ran the ball to M.B.A. 30 yd. line. On 3rd down, they fumbled and M.B.A. recovered. M.B.A. marched down to Donelson's 35 yd. line and were forced to punt. Billy Hunter went around end in the 2nd period to score the first touchdown of the game. Don Brothers went through the line for the extra point. Three minutes later Billy Hunter went over for the second touchdown with Franky Drowota scoring the extra point. At the end of the half the score was 14 to 0 in favor of M.B.A.

In the 3rd period, Donelson went over for their first touchdown, but missed their extra point. Late in the 3rd period, Don Brothers threw a pass to Courtney Marshall in the end zone for the final touchdown. The J. V. failed to make the extra point.

Outstanding on defense were Jim Wright and Frank Drowota, also Billy Hunter.

Outstanding on offense were Dicky Sullivan, Philip Boyd and Buddy Foxall.

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Wildcats Smother Maroons 25 - 7



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The talented Clarksville Wildcats smothered the underdog Maroons 25-7 on the winners field. Clarksville got the jump on the Big Red and scored all 25 points the first half. Clarksville, who ranks 12th in the State, ran around the Maroon ends for long gains in the first half. The second half was a different story. M.B.A. came back and held the highly rated Clarksville scoreless. M.B.A. knocked on the winners' goal line several times but could not quite get the needed yardage. Pete Thompson broke into the clear and ran to the Wildcats' 10 where he was pulled down from behind. With fourth down and 3 yds. for a touchdown, a pitchout to Mac Brothers failed, and Clarksville took over. The lone tally for M.B.A. came when shifty Bobby Colton hauled in a punt and ran 79 yds. down the side lines. The extra point was added with a pass from Dick Anderson to Tommy Frist. Although the Maroons lost their second straight game, there were a few standouts. On defense, John Craig, Norman Minick, and Frank Bainbridge made numerous tackles to bottle up the offensive-minded Wildcats. On offense, Bobby Colton, Mac Brothers and Pete Thompson were the standouts.

M.B.A. Defeats Cohn in Tennis Tournament

The fine tennis team of M.B.A. defeated Cohn 7-0 at M.B.A. in our first tournament. The student body is proud of the outcome of this tournament. Below are the matches and scores:

SINGLES

1. Cooney—E. Gleaves (6-1) (6-1)
2. Brooks—Elrod (6-1) (6-1)
3. Duncan—B. Gleaves (6-4) (6-1)
4. Overall—Walker (6-2) (6-0)
5. W. McDougall—Jaggers (6-4) (6-2)

DOUBLES

1. Reed & Hunt—E. Gleaves & Walker (6-4) (6-2)
2. Robins & Ruth—B. Gleaves & Elrod (7-5) (6-0)

Microbes Lose Two

A light, inexperienced Microbe team ran into unusually strong outfits in Burton and Stokes and wound up with two defeats. Coach Wise is working hard with the boys and with the help of David Sanders we know they will give a fine Castle Heights team a good battle in the next game.

The Burton game ended in a 40-6 loss. The heavy Burton line held our offense to a standstill until Ben McDermott swept right end for our lone touchdown. The Microbes never stopped fighting against a more experienced foe.

In the Stokes game the score was 29-0 in favor of our opponents. Once again the Microbes went into action with a speedier outfit. Lucius Burch and Tommy Sloan were outstanding on offense in this game. "Bullets" Gillespie gave a good account of himself on defense.

The Microbes have a long way to go but they show that they want to play football. They gained experience in these opening contests and we look for some surprises before the season is over.

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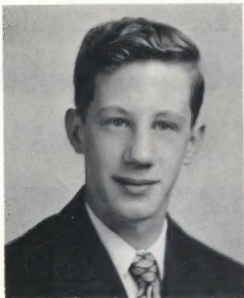
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Personalities of the Month



Rob Lightfoot

Rob, one of the best-liked and most respected boys on the campus, came to M.B.A. from Woodmont Grammar School. He enrolled here in the seventh grade, and his record shows him to be an outstanding student.

This senior has played football for the Microbe, the Junior Varsity, and the Varsity teams. He now plays left guard on the Varsity team, and he is a very good blocker. During his sophomore year he wrote the Sophomore News for The Bell Ringer.

Rob is a member of the Key Club, the Monogram Club, and the Alpha Chi fraternity, of which he is vice-president.

His mannerly ways, his easy-going nature, and his friendliness to all have made him well-liked, not only among the students but also among the faculty. Among his likes and dislikes:

Favorite subject: Physics
Most hated subject: Spanish
Favorite sport: Football
Favorite meal: chili & tamales
Favorite actress: June Allyson

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Carlin Rolfe

Carlin Rolfe made his first appearance at M.B.A. in 1950, when he enrolled as a freshman. He came to M.B.A. from Woodmont Grammar School where he made an outstanding record. Since his day of enrollment, he has been a standout in athletics and studies. He played first string J.V. football his freshman year. During his second year he broke his finger playing Varsity ball and was out for a season. Playing tackle his Junior year, he was elected by his teammates as the most valuable player. He also made 3rd string All City. This year he was elected captain of the Maroon Eleven. Football isn't his only accomplishment, for in his Junior year, he played first string basketball, and was a pitcher in baseball.

Club, an organization for boys in He is a member of the Key the upper third of their classes. Carlin serves as Vice President of the Delta Sigma Fraternity.

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Most Hated Food—Cabbage
Favorite Sport—Football

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"Girl of the Month"



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Mary Faith Templeton

For our first selection as "Girl of the Month", the 1953 paper staff selected Miss Mary Faith Templeton. Mary Faith is a senior at Harpeth Hall, and an active member of the Athletic Association, of which she was recently elected Secretary-Treasurer. She is a member of the Eccewasin Club, and an outstanding hockey and tennis player. She is also a member of the Glee Club and President of the Spanish Club. She was Sergeant-at-Arms of her Junior Class and Vice President of last year's Speech Club. As the Senior Representative to the Student Council, she takes an important part in the government of Harpeth Hall.

Mary Faith is an active member of the Kappa Delta Theta Sorority and a member of the Christian Youth Fellowship at Vine Street Christian Church.

The Bell Ringer Staff is very proud of its first selection of this attractive and deserving young lady.

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MAROON HIGHLIGHTS

Thompson N.I.L. Player of Week

Pete Thompson, Maroon full-back, was chosen NIL player of the week for his brilliant play against East. Not only was Pete great of offense, but he was a standout on defense. He carried the ball 9 times and against 77 yards. He set up the only touchdown on a 16 yd. jaunt to the 4 yd. line where Mac Rolfe carried it over. On defense he repeatedly smashed East runners at the line of scrimmage.

Injuries have hampered the Maroon Squad from the very first day of practice. On the injured list are Mac Brothers, Jack Herbert, John Whaley, Whitney Waugh, Bill Fennell, Andy Coles, Seawell Brandon and Tommy Frist.

Bobby Lineberger was appointed captain for the Clarks-ville game, due to the death of Carlin and Mac Rolfe's father.

This year with the football team at its highest peak in the last 2 or 3 years, the school spirit should rise, also. In the last couple of years, with the team at its lowest, the school spirit naturally dropped. This year is a different story. The team has improved and could turn into a NIL threat. With a good team, there is expected a good cheering section following it. Various steps are being taken to promote school spirit: Talks in assembly, pep rallies, decorating the field and bon fires. So how about it, boys? Let's all support YOUR TEAM!

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